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(Constitution at 31st December, 1969)

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' Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

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H.B.Cade (a and d)
S.C.Clark (a and d)
A.D.Lofts (a and d)
R.H.Terry (a and d)

Student Public Health Inspector

J. Goodwin

Authorised Meat Inspector

G.T. Harris (i)

Techinal Assistant

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Public Health Inspectors' Clerk

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(b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
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(d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(f) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene
(h) Diploma of Shops Acts Administration
(i) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

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SEVENOAKS RURAL DISTRICT

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To the Chairman and Members of the Sevenoaks Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1969.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 45,250, the increase of 1,870 over the mid-1968 figure being due mainly to the extension of the boundary in April, 1969 to include the Parish of Knockholt.

The total number of registered live births was 618 (316 males and 302 females), this figure being the same as last year's total. The crude birth rate was 13.8 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 14.8, compared with 16.3 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 421 (213 males and 208 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 9.4 The corrected death rate for the District was 9.0 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 7, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 11.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.0 The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 8.0.

There were 20 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (15 males and 5 females), the same total as in the previous year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 112, compared with 637 in 1968.

On page 17 of this Report, figures are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review. This information is supplied by the County Medical Officer, to whom I offer my thanks.

I wish to record my thanks to my colleagues and all those who assisted in the preparation of the report, and to Mr. Bettle, not only for the details of district sanitation in the latter part of the report, but for the unstinted and efficient manner he and his staff have carried out the manifold duties of the Health Department.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area:	* 64, 661 acres
Population:	
* R.G.'s Estimate mid 1969	45, 250
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1968	43, 380
* Change of boundary	
Density of Population:	
i.e. Number of persons per acre	0.7
Number of inhabited houses:	14, 335
Rateable value:	£1,743,208
Sum produced by a penny rate:	£7,065

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1969

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area.
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	114	295	100	64	258	259	290	1,380
		Female	94	284	91	66	265	252	291	1,343
		Total	208	579	191	130	523	511	581	2,723
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	6	21	8	6	14	9	33	97
		Female	11	18	7	8	11	11	32	98
		Total	17	39	15	14	25	20	65	195
TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS			225	618	206	144	548	531	646	2,918
CRUDE BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 of mid year population 1969			13.6	13.8	11.3	14.7	18.6	18.3	14.4	15.1
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General			1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE			17.1	14.8	12.8	16.8	19.2	17.9	15.8	-
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	1	5	2	-	4	1	2	15
		Female	3	5	1	1	3	5	5	23
		Total	4	10	3	1	7	6	7	38
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
		Female	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
		Total	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	3
TOTAL STILL BIRTHS			4	12	3	1	8	6	7	41
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births			17	19	14	7	14	11	11	13.9
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS			229	630	209	145	556	537	653	2,959

		Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year)	Male	1	2	3	2	6	5	7	26
	Female	1	5	-	-	6	3	4	19
	TOTAL	2	7	3	2	12	8	11	45
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:									
All infants per 1,000 live births		9	11	15	14	22	15	17	15.4
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births		0.0	8	10	14	15	9	14	10.6
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births		0.0	8	10	14	11	9	12	9.6
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births		17	27	24	21	25	20	23	23.3
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS	Male	108	213	101	57	154	143	278	1,054
	Female	88	208	131	83	149	146	443	1,248
	TOTAL	196	421	232	140	303	289	721	2,302
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1969		11.8	9.4	12.8	14.3	10.3	10.0	16.0	11.9
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General		0.89	0.96	0.77	0.83	0.85	0.95	0.55	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE		10.5	9.0	9.9	11.9	8.8	9.5	8.8	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	-	1	1
Other Tuberculosis	-	2	2
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	2	1	3
Syphilis and its Sequelae	1	-	1
Meningococcal Infection	-	1	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity Etc.,	3	5	8
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	6	5	11
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	24	14	38
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	19	45	64
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	3	-	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	83	24	107
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	50	50
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	12	12
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	18	-	18
Leukaemia	8	4	12
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.,	72	63	135
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	4	3	7
Diabetes Mellitus	3	10	13
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	-	3	3
Anaemias	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Blood, Etc.,	-	4	4
Mental Disorders	1	1	2
Meningitis	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.,	9	13	22
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	4	17	21
Hypertensive Disease	15	28	43
Ischaemic Heart Disease	291	253	544
Other Forms of Heart Disease	46	95	141
Cerebrovascular Disease	104	216	320

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	3	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1
-	1	3	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	2	-
3	2	7	1	3	4	-	2	7	2	4	-	-	3
-	2	8	10	2	4	-	2	2	6	3	7	4	14
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
9	5	15	5	7	3	7	1	16	2	13	3	16	5
-	4	-	12	-	5	-	7	-	9	-	3	-	10
-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	5
2	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	-	7	-
-	-	2	-	1	1	-	-	2	-	2	1	1	2
9	6	17	11	8	14	3	4	10	4	9	8	16	16
1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	-
1	-	1	2	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	1	-	4	-	1	-	2	3	1	2	1	3	3
-	1	1	3	1	3	-	3	1	2	-	-	1	5
2	4	4	5	1	3	-	1	2	3	3	6	3	6
34	15	57	41	28	19	18	15	32	33	46	32	76	98
2	9	9	13	3	9	4	5	5	6	5	13	18	40
8	17	21	32	2	11	6	15	10	32	19	26	38	83

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	60	108	168
Influenza	15	14	29
Pneumonia	69	102	171
Bronchitis and Emphysema	61	17	78
Asthma	2	-	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	17	16	33
Peptic Ulcer	6	8	14
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	6	8	14
Cirrhosis of Liver	4	1	5
Other Diseases of Digestive System	8	17	25
Nephritis and Nephrosis	3	6	9
Hyperplasia of Prostate	8	-	8
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	9	14	23
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	1	1	2
Diseases of Musco-Skeletal System	4	7	11
Congenital Anomalies	11	6	17
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour,Etc.,	4	1	5
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	5	6	11
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	9	16	25
Motor Vehicle Accidents	14	7	21
All Other Accidents	6	14	20
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	9	4	13
All Other External Causes	5	2	7
TOTALS	1,054	1,248	2,302

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
11	7	12	14	5	20	3	4	8	14	8	10	13	39
-	1	2	3	1	1	1	2	7	1	-	-	4	6
7	3	9	18	11	14	4	6	8	8	8	9	22	44
8	-	16	4	7	2	2	2	7	2	4	4	17	3
2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	3	2	4	1	-	2	1	1	3	2	5	8
-	2	3	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	1	3
1	-	1	2	2	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	3
-	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	1	2	5	1	4	2	2	1	-	1	1	1	4
-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	2
2	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
1	-	2	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2	3	1	9
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	2	2
1	-	-	2	3	-	1	-	4	1	-	3	2	-
-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	3
-	3	-	3	1	-	-	-	4	2	-	3	4	5
1	-	3	2	-	2	1	1	6	1	1	-	2	1
1	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	3	1	-	2	10
-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	4	1	-	1	4	1
-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	2	-
108	88	213	208	101	131	57	83	154	149	143	146	278	443

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR.

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Congenital Anomalies	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Intestinal obstruction and Hernia	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
TOTALS	5	-	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	1	7

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1960	-	-	2	-	7	2	1	-	-	1	10	3
1961	-	-	-	-	4	-	2	3	2	1	8	4
1962	-	-	-	-	13	1	3	-	-	-	16	1
1963	-	-	-	1	11	1	6	3	3	-	20	5
1964	-	-	-	-	5	2	3	-	1	2	9	4
1965	-	-	-	-	11	-	5	[illegible]	4	-	20	1
1966	-	-	-	-	13	-	4	-	4	1	21	1
1967	-	-	-	-	9	3	4	2	2	1	15	6
1968	-	-	-	1	7	2	4	3	2	1	13	7
1969	-	-	-	-	5	4	5	-	5	1	15	[illegible]
TOTALS	-	-	2	2	85	15	37	12	23	8	147	37

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total Cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 years	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	18	-	1	-	2	4	10	-	1	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	18	1	-	-	2	2	9	-	2	1	1	-
Measles	49	1	7	9	7	9	10	4	2	-	-	-
Dysentery	13	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	1	4	1	-
Infective Jaundice	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	2	-	-
Food Poisoning	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1
Tuberculosis												
Pulmonary	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-
Meninges & C.N.S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	112	2	8	9	11	15	32	12	8	11	3	1

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	-	3	3	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	18
Whooping Cough	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	6	18
Measles	2	13	7	1	9	6	2	-	-	2	4	3	49
Dysentery	-	-	2	-	2	5	3	-	-	-	1	-	13
Infective Jaundice	4	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	7
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	4
Tuberculosis													
Pulmonary	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Meninges & C.N.S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	9	20	14	3	15	11	8	3	-	2	14	13	112

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	107	18	91	19	235
Cases added	3	-	2	2	7
Cases removed	6	-	5	-	11
Cases remaining at end of year	104	18	88	21	231

NUMBER OF DEATHS AND DEATH RATES FROM TUBERCULOSIS
DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths	Rate per 1,000		TOTAL
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths		Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
1960	6	3	1	-	3	0.08	0.00	0.08
* 1961	14	3	1	-	3	0.07	0.00	0.07
1962	6	-	2	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
* 1963	10	1	-	-	1	0.02	0.00	0.02
1964	7	1	2	-	1	0.02	0.00	0.02
1965	6	2	3	-	2	0.05	0.00	0.05
* 1966	2	1	2	1	2	0.02	0.02	0.04
1967	2	1	1	-	1	0.02	0.00	0.02
* 1968	4	1	1	-	1	0.02	0.00	0.02
1969	3	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION.

The following table shows the figures for 1969 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security.

YEAR OF BIRTH	PRIMARY						REINFORCING					
	Triple Antigen	Diph-theria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye-litis	Triple Antigen	Diph-theria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye-litis
1969	13	-	-	-	1	20	1	1	-	-	-	-
1968	173	5	285	-	68	318	35	7	-	-	-	-
1967	14	2	-	-	127	46	99	92	-	-	-	-
1966	5	-	-	-	102	17	30	54	-	1	-	-
1965	2	-	-	2	85	5	9	22	-	-	-	19
1964	-	-	-	-	34	-	45	219	-	-	-	375
1962/63	1	2	-	-	37	-	32	89	-	1	-	165
1953/61	-	3	-	63	11	-	11	47	8	43	-	54
TOTAL:	208	12	285	65	465	406	262	531	8	45	-	613

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of year	1	-	13	13

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Home during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr.A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens, and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year fifteen medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes.

International Vaccination Certificates

There is an increasing demand for the authentication of doctors' signatures on International Vaccination Certificates. In connection with international travel persons arriving in this country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates are kept under surveillance by the Health Department.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT

provided by the Kent County Council

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at Moor Road, Sevenoaks (Tel. Sevenoaks 51088).

Principal Welfare Officer

Mr. R.A. Allison,
Kent County Council District Office,
152, London Road, Sevenoaks
Tel. Sevenoaks 52833

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the District Office of the County Council.

Domestic Help Service

Domestic help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Area Domestic Help Organiser - Miss L.McEwan,
39, Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342

District Domestic Help Organiser - Miss E.M. Eastwood,
152, London Road, Sevenoaks
Tel. Sevenoaks 55440

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Mrs. D.C.Adams	Miss M. Wilson
Mrs. J. Carson	Miss M. Shiel
Miss C.R. Hugill	Mrs. E. Whitson
Miss E. Norton	Mrs.J. Woodhams

CHILD WELFARE CENTRES & CLINICS

Centre	Service	Day and Time
Chiddingstone Village Hall	Child Welfare	Now closed
Dunton Green Donnington Hall	Child Welfare	1st, 3rd & 5th Tues. P.M.
Edenbridge Stangrove Park, Station Rd., (Tel. Edenbridge 2297)	Child Welfare Chiropody Dental Ophthalmic	Tues. P.M. Tues. A.M. Wed. P.M. 1st Tues. all day Fri. A.M.
Halstead Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd and 4th Thurs. P.M.
Hever Village Hall, Four Elms	Child Welfare	Now closed
Kemsing St. Edith's Hall, High St.,	Child Welfare	Wed. I.M.
Leigh Village Hall, High Street	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Thurs. P.M.
Otford Memorial Hall	Child Welfare Ante Natal & Relaxation Class) Midwives' Clinic)	Fri. A.M. 1st & 3rd. Tues P.M.
Penshurst Village Hall	Child Welfare	3rd Wed. P.M.
Seal Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Tues. P.M.
Shoreham, Church Room,High Street	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Wed. P.M.
Stone Street St. Laurence Hall	Child Welfare	Now closed
Sundridge Village Hall, Main Road	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Tues. P.M.
Weald Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.
Westerham Women's Institute Hall	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Thurs. P.M.
Knockholt, Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Tues. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel: Tunbridge Wells 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:
Orpington Hospital, Orpington.
Tel: Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Oak Lane Hospital, Sevenoaks
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

Address	Days	Times
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m. to 4.p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesdays (females)	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
	Tuesdays (males)	11 a.m. to 12 noon

SEVENOAKS RURAL DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

Main supplies from the five utility companies serving the area continued to be highly satisfactory and no complaints of inadequacy were received regarding any source of supply.

Sampling was carried out of all private supplies from boreholes, wells, springs etc. in addition to regularly checking the main supplies.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of Samples	Satis-factory	Not Satis-factory	No. of Samples	Satis-factory	Not Satis-factory
Statutory supply undertakings	66	65	1	1	1	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	110	78	32	3	2	1
Other private sources	1	1	-	-	-	-

A supply to a sizeable private estate in the district can be fed by either main or spring water. The reservoir when fed from either source was found to be polluted and, after replacement of defective pipes and valves, and super-chlorination of the whole system on the estate, satisfactory samples were obtained.

In one case a chlorination plant was found to have run out of reagent and replenishment of the chemical furnished good samples, and in others the supplies were rectified by natural means after the September, 1968 flood.

Of the properties in the district 191 have a piped supply other than main, 28 are supplied from wells, and the remainder are connected to the main supply.

Ten properties previously utilising stored rainwater were connected to the new main extended to the Highfields and Otford Hills area in 1968. Negotiation still continues regarding the connection of Dunsdale Estate, Westerham to the main and it is hoped this work will be completed in 1970.

The following mains extensions were carried out during the year:-

The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

During the year 10 yards of 3 inch mains extensions were carried out within the Company's Statutory Area.

The Mid Kent Water Company

No important main extensions were carried out during the year.

The East Surry Water Company

Routine main extensions to housing estates have been carried out where necessary.

Work on the reservoir scheme at Bough Beech continued and it is hoped that the water will be available for supply in 1970.

The Metropolitan Water Board

No important mains extensions were carried out during the year in that part of the District supplied by the Board.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

Eight houses in Chafford Lane, Fordcombe were connected to the sewer and the cesspools which were disused were abolished. Four new cesspools were constructed under supervision of the Public Health Department and six bucket closets were abolished when the systems were converted to water-borne systems.

Mr.R.J.Hills, the Engineer and Surveyor, has kindly supplied the undermentioned information:-

Sewage Treatment Works.

No new works or extensions to existing works were carried out during the year.

Sewerage

A total of 2,804 lin. yards of foul sewers and 103 lin. yards of surface water sewers were constructed during the year.

Extensions to the sewarage systems at Chiddingstone Causeway, Halstead and Little Hawden will be commenced during the coming year. Also included in the programme for 1970/71 are the provision of a relief sewer at Edenbridge, and main drainage works at Ide Hill and French Street. Consideration is also being given to improvements to existing sewage treatment facilities for Leigh and Weald. Extensions to the sewerage systems at Otford and Penshurst have been deferred for the time being.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

The bulky refuse collection service continues to be of immense value clearing from households etc., as well as dealing with illegal deposits of litter and debris in the district.

Two further Dennis Paxit compresion vehicles were purchased, one replacing an old side loader; the other was an additional vehicle to assist in the reorganisation of the service which became necessary when Knockholt parish was taken over in April, 1969.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	Nil
Number of school swimming pools	21
Number of visits made during the year	57
Number of samples taken:	
Satisfactory	43
Unsatisfactory	4

The four poor samples were due to overloading of the pool during the exceptionally warm and dry summer. Increasing the chlorine dosage had the desired effect.

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated		1,047
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year		11,084
Informal Notices:	Served during year	154
	Complied with during year...	163
Statutory Notices:	Served during year	1
	Complied with during year	
	(a) by owners	1
	(b) by Local Authority in default ...	Nil
Legal proceedings taken during the year		Nil

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	1,002
Nuisances, etc., (not included under Housing)	407
Visits to Food Premises	2,549
Visits re Food Complaints	157
Swimming Pools	57
Factories Act, 1961	107
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	711
Shops Acts, 1950/65	125
Petroleum Act	496
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	283
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	23
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	145
Pet Animals Act, 1951	6
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963...	43
Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964	23
Hop Fields and Camps	5
Caravan Sites	304
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	99
Noise Abatement	76
Infectious Disease Visits	108
Meat Inspections at Slaughterhouses	767
Miscellaneous	3,591

Proceedings were instituted in respect of a dirty cake tray and doughnuts, a fine of £50 being imposed in addition to 10 guineas costs. Seven warning letters were sent to firms as a result of other food complaints received.

Controlled Gypsy Encampment, Hever Road, Edenbridge

During 1969 there was a noticeable improvement in conditions at the above encampment.

The considerable accumulation of derelict cars and other rubbish were removed from the camp, damaged fences repaired and separate toilet units were provided for each site, the old communal toilet blocks being demolished.

Several of the occupants took the opportunity afforded by the Council's efforts to tidy up the camp, to enclose their sites with fencing and to cultivate small gardens within the enclosures. It remains to be seen whether these improvements will be permanent or temporary in nature.

6. Hop Pickers' Camps

Number of camps in the District	1
Number of huts occupied in the District	2
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	5
Number of inspections of hop fields and camps during 1969	5

Two huts on a farm were re-used during the picking season accomodating five persons for a short period. No cases of infectious disease occurred, and conditions were satisfactory.

7. Disinfestation.

Infestations were dealt with as follows:-

Fleas	5:	Flies	24:	Ants	6:	Beetles	5:	Bugs	1:
Wasps	104:	Bees	15:	Bats	4:	Silver Fish	1:		
Cockroaches	1:	Bluebottles	1:						

8. Prevention of Damage by Pests Acts,1949.

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	TYPE OF PROPERTY NON-AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in District	16,454	549
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	681	42
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	465	39
(ii) Mice	221	29
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	478	89
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	10	3
(ii) Mice	15	-

Sewers

Sewer treatment was carried out during the year and minor infestations eliminated.

The Council operates a scheme for the treatment of Business and Agricultural premises by contract.

9. Rag, Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises	Nil

10. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises	4
Number of inspections made	23

11. Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspections made	145

12. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed	1
Number of visits made	6

13. Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises licensed	14
Number of visits made	43

14. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered	6

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	29	12	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	233	95	3	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	262	107	3	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	1	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	1	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	3	1	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel						
Making etc.	3	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes, etc.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	7	93	80
Retail Shops	12	187	167
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	3	15	15
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	3	36	36
Fuel Storage Depots	-	3	3
Totals	25	334	301

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 671

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contraventions	No. found	Section	Contraventions	No. found
4	Cleanliness	12	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	1	14	Seats(Sedentary Workers)	3
6	Temperature	6	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	-	16	Floors,passages & stairs	24
8	Lighting	12	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	2
9	Sanitary Conveniences	11	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	7	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of Drinking Water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accommodation	-	24	First Aid General Provisions	6
				Total	84

The majority of contraventions which came to light were of a minor character.

(C) Exemptions Number of applications received ... ... Nil

Number of applications granted ... ... Nil

(D) Prosecutions Number instituted and completed during the year ... ... Nil

(E) Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported	Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prosecution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	1	1	-	-	-	-
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	16	9	-	-	-	-
Catering Establishments open to public, Canteens	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	17	10	-	-	-	-

During the year 17 accidents were reported, compared with 8 in the previous year. These were from 5 different premises, all were of a minor nature.

Analysis of Reported Accidents

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering Establishments open to public, Canteens	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	-	1	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	-	-	5	-	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	-	3	-	-
Handling goods	1	-	7	-	-
Struck by falling object	-	-	-	-	-
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	Section 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	-	63	-	63	-
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	63	-	63	-

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of (i) Undertakings accepted (Section 16) 4

(ii) Closing Orders made (Section 17) 2

(iii) Demolition Orders made (Section 17) 4

(iv) Closing Orders made (Section 18) ... ... -

(v) Closing Orders determined (Section 27) ... -

(vi) Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28) ... ... -

(vii) Houses demolished following Demoliton & Closing orders 12

(viii) Houses repaired under Section 24 after Demolition Orders 2

(C) Clearance Areas

(1) Represented during year ... ... Nil

(2) Action taken during year ... ... Nil

(3) Purchase of houses by agreement... ... ... Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Standard

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	16	4
(ii)	Number of applications approved	11	4
(iii)	Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	4	3

		£	s	d
(v)	Amount paid in grants	790.	0.	0.
(vi)	Average grant per house	113.	0.	0.

(vii)	Amenities provided	(a) fixed bath (b) shower	6
		(c) w ash hand basin	6
		(d) hot water supply(to any fittings)	7
		(e) water closet (1) within dwelling (2) accessible from dwelling	5
		(f) food store	6

(2) Discretionary

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	37	20
(ii)	Number of applications approved	32	18
(iii)	Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	23	35

		£	s	d
(v)	Amount paid in grants	21,670.	0.	0.
(vi)	Average grant per house	374.	0.	0.

(E) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

(1)	Number of Areas	(a) Surveyed	Nil
		(b) Declared	Nil

(2) Dwellings outside Improvement Areas

(i)	Number of representations made by tenants	3
(ii)	Number of preliminary notices served	1
(iii)	Number of undertakings accepted	Nil
(iv)	Number of immediate improvement notices served ...	Nil
(v)	Number of such dwellings improved	
	(a) full standard	Nil
	(b) reduced standard ...	Nil

(F) Houses in Multiple Occupation - No houses falling into this category were inspected during the year.

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1969)

Number of site licences issued	53
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	279

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in District	Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors	58
Number of registered dairies - Wholesale	1
Retail	Nil

Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	32	Nil
Pasteurised	4	Nil
Sterilised	Nil	Nil

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered (a) for the manufacture and sale of ice cream ... Nil

(b) for the sale of ice cream ... 134

Number of samples taken:

89 - all Grade I

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

Classification	Number on Register
Sausages	29
Hams	10
Brawn	1
Processed Meat Products	4
Meat Pies and Sausage Rolls	4
Spit cooking of poultry	4

4. Slaughterhouses

Number in District 2

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Goats
Number Killed	915	50	710	3,877	2,554	1
Number inspected	915	50	710	3,877	2,554	1
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	1	4	18	21	9	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	420	37	14	1,184	1,031	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	46.01	82.00	4.50	31.08	40.72	-
Tuberculosis Only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	33	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1.29	-
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	9	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	9	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

Number of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year 12

Number of new licences issued during the year 1

In March 1969 a wholesaler ceased to operate at the Four Elms Slaughterhouse. As a result a decrease has occurred in the number of calves, sheep and pigs slaughtered. The Slaughterhouse continues in part time use by local butchers. An increase has occurred in the number of animals slaughtered at Leigh.

5. Food Premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (provision of sinks etc.,)	Number fitted to comply with Reg.19
Public Houses	92	92	92	92
Cafes, Restaurants and Canteens	85	85	85	85
Bakehouses	8	8	8	8
Section 16 (excluding Ice Cream)	52	52	52	52
Food Factories	5	5	5	5
Fishmongers	5	5	5	5
Fried Fish	3	3	3	3
Greengrocers	26	26	26	26
Grocers	75	74	75	75
Butchers	28	28	28	28
Bakers Shops	13	13	13	13
Chemists	8	8	8	8
General Stores & Sweets	46	46	46	46
Ice Cream	134	134	134	134
Food Stalls & Vehicles	14	11	11	11

Routine visits have been carried out to ensure that hygienic practices are operated and in general a satisfactory standard has been maintained.

Fourteen vehicles operate from within the district, in addition to a number of vehicles from outside. The trades concerned are greengroceries, groceries, ice cream and fish.

The food factories have been visited regularly and additional inspection duties have been involved as a result of the new Imported Food Regulations particularly in connection with West Kent Cold Store.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Sevenoaks Rural District during the year ended the 31st December, 1969.

	Satis-factory	Unsatis-factory
Milk	35	1
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese (including processed cheese)	4	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes	7	-
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals	17	-
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials ...	5	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies	4	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	5	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	2	-
Drugs, medicines	10	-
Ice Cream	2	-
Beer, wines, spirits	10	-
Miscellaneous	25	-
	126	1

UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLE

Channel Islands Milk

Deficient in fat. Follow-up samples satisfactory.

7. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District	1
Number of visits to these premises	337
Total number of birds processed during the year	2,586,735
Type of birds processed	Broilers
Percentage of birds rejected as unfit for human consumption	2.21%
Weight of poultry condemned as unfit for human consumption	71 tons 12 cwts. 1 qrs. 23 lbs.

The authorised Meat Inspector continues to make daily visits to inspect the plant and processing at the Packing Station in addition to inspection of the discarded birds. The standard of hygiene is high and is assisted by employment of a private consultant bacteriologist by the Packing firm. The throughput at the plant increased by over 54,000 birds during the year.

8. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Meat	18	3	2	8	6½
Fish	-	-	1	1	4
Tinned Foods	7	2	1	7	3½
Other Food	-	4	3	9	9

In the main, unsound meat at slaughterhouses is sprayed with dye and removed by contractors under supervision for conversion to fertilizers. Other unsound foods are taken to the Council's tips for disposal.

A total of 4,159 lbs. Irish Beef was found to be impregnated by ammonia gas during transport and was condemned as unfit for human consumption.

9. Food Poisoning

Four cases of food poisoning were notified during the year. The infection in one case was due to Salmonella Enteriditis, and the causative organism in the other three cases was unidentified.